


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## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

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2. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.  
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3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 24]  
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  - Cross Reference to Related Applications
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  - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
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  - Detailed Description
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  - Abstract of the Disclosure
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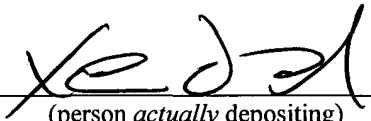
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